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# OAKLAND DYNAMITERS THREATEN GOVERNOR

## 15,000 ARE OUT IN IRON STRIKE

### WALKOUT RESULT OF REFUSAL TO PAY BONUS

Owners of Private Establishments Declare Controversy Is Up to the Government

#### EMPLOYERS GIVE VERSION OF DISPUTE

Laborers in Many Plants in Bay Region Obey Order of Council to Join Walkout

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS  
LEASED WIRE TO TRIBUNE  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—More than half million working days—the equivalent of the labor of 20,000 workmen for a solid month—have been lost to the government's shipbuilding program through strikes and lockouts. R. B. Stevens of the Shipping Board today told the Senate investigating committee.

Despite efforts on the part of Mortimer Fleischhaker, federal mediator, to prevent a general walkout of the metal trades in the San Francisco bay district, 15,000 metal workers in approximately 400 shops on both sides of the bay obeyed the strike order of the Iron Trades Council and left their work this morning or failed to appear at the regular time. The strike which ties up the entire foundry and metal trades.

The alleged cause of the strike is the refusal of the California Metal Trades' Association members, comprising the bulk of the employers of the bay district, to accede to a demand for a 10 per cent bonus over present wage schedules, similar to the bonus allowed in the shipbuilding industry.

The employers allege the demands are in violation of the mediation agreement made with the United States government in November and declare they are not resuming operations without a federal order.

The California Metal Trades' Association has declared that it will not give in to the demands of their employees and are said to be preparing for a long fight. The executive committee of the Iron Trades Council, equally determined to make it a long fight, has called a meeting for late this afternoon, when the preliminary steps toward coordinating the various locals for such an end will be taken. Similar meetings will be held by the employers' association during the afternoon for a like purpose.

**BONE OF CONTENTION**  
10 PER CENT BONUS

The exact number of men who quit work today cannot be estimated by either organization at the present time. In some shops all of the men affected came to work, found the regular wage schedule in force and left. In other shops only a portion of the men left. In general the strike order applies to every metal worker in the bay district outside of shipyard employees. It carried out to the letter the strike will assume the proportions of the previous walk-out, which was the largest ever seen in the state.

The bone of contention between employer and employee is a ten per cent bonus, over and above an augmented wage scale, which the government allowed, to induce mechanics and metal workers, to take up shipyard work, in the interests of the war program. This bonus was allowed after special committee from the Iron Trades Council went to Washington and conferred with the Shipping Board officials. The Employers' Association was not represented at that conference.

**EMPLOYERS' STAND  
IS EXPLAINED**

When the committee returned with the news that the Government had granted the ten per cent bonus, a movement started in union circles to secure a similar bonus from private concerns employing metal workers. The private concerns, most of whom are members of the California Metal Trades Association, declared it would bankrupt them to pay out of their own pockets, the same bonus that the government was paying to take men away from them. Whereupon the strike order issued from the Iron Trades Council.

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Guiding Strings of Spy Plot Held in Fair Hands



Principal figures in the latest German plot thwarted by federal officials in the bay district. The mysterious Madam H. and two pictures of Franz Schulenberg, said to have been her assistant. On the left Schulenberg is shown as he appeared in 1914, and on the right as he looks today.

#### Alluring Countess Behind Activities of Schulenberg

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—"Somehow in the United States" is hiding a beautiful and fascinating blonde, about 35 years of age, known as "Countess H." who is being sought by federal agents of the department of justice as the directress of the activities of Franz Schulenberg, the alleged master German spy, held here on a presidential warrant.

Knowledge that this woman, who is said to be high in the councils of the Wilhelmstrasse, headquarters of the German diplomatic and secret service in Berlin, has been the real representative of the Kaiser and that she has been using Schulenberg as a pawn in the ramifications of the spy plot that included the Hindu Ghadr conspiracy, is said to have come to light through the jealousy of Schulenberg's wife for the dashing beauty.

This jealousy is alleged to have led to Mrs. Schulenberg's cooperation with the army intelligence bureau and to the capture of her husband.

It is known that the mysterious countess was in San Francisco on December 5, this day, and was held in arrest in San Jose. It is also declared that it was her mind that evolved a plot to blow up a shipyard on San Francisco bay and that Schulenberg was her instrument of destruction.

Letters to Schulenberg from "H" in Cleveland instructed him to do in Los Angeles for the discussion of plans. These plans are said to have included blowing up bridges over which troop trains were passing and purchasing a ton of dynamite to be used by Hindu rebels in the destruction of English ships in Victoria and Vancouver. One of the countess' letters was found in Schulenberg's residence in Santa Barbara.

**SEEK IDENTITY OF  
MASTER SPY, HERR X**

A rapidly-closing net is being drawn about the Countess "H." and her arrest is anticipated before many days.

Through her it is hoped that information will be obtained that will reveal the identity of "Herr X," Germany's master spy in America, who is considered responsible for the anti-war activities of the L. W. W., mysterious explosions in plants, mines and labor districts.

The ramifications of the plot conceived by the Countess "H." and her use of Schulenberg are said to have begun about June 1914, in Berlin, where, after being instructed, he was sent to America the week was was decided, remained in New York for one day to deliver secret despatches to Wolf von Igel, Germany's agent there, then went to Galveston and Mexico, where he made a trip through the German wireless stations from Magdalena and La Paz south on the west coast, supplying them with money, returning to New York, where he remained until the arrival of the strike order issued at the Iron Trades Council.

It further appearing that there may be shortages of said articles at Camp Dodge, Donaldson, Funston, Wadsworth, Fremont, Sheridan, Green and Pike, and perhaps other camps, the secretary of war also requested to ascertain by wire today if any

#### Clothing For Camps Now, Says Senate

Military Committee Calls Upon War Secretary to Cut "Red Tape" and Supply Troops.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The Senate military affairs committee unanimously adopted a resolution calling upon Secretary of War Baker to cut away all "red tape" and take immediate steps to supply every enlisted man in the training camps with necessary overcoats and woolen blouses. The action was taken after inquiry by telegraph indicated a shortage of at least 20,000 overcoats and 47,000 blouses in the various camps.

The committee found many enlisted men in Camps Wheeler, Shelby, Kearny, Dix, Jackson, Grant, Custer, Beauregard and the camp at Fort Worth, Texas, were without woolen blouses and overcoats.

It was learned that probably there were similar conditions at Camps Dodge, Donaldson, Funston, Wadsworth, Fremont, Sheridan, Green and Pike. The committee requested the Secretary of War to ascertain by wire the facts about the shortages in these camps.

The resolution adopted by the committee follows:

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## GERMANY DESPERATE PUTS OVER STRUGGLE PEACE TALKS STILL AT TILL JAN. 24 DEADLOCK

Russ-Teuton Negotiations Suspended Pending Consultation on Terms Asked by Slavs

#### BULGARIA BALKS AT BOLSHEVIKI PROPOSAL

Power of Radicals Is Waning Under Lenin's Leadership; Soldiers Refuse to March

BY UNITED PRESS  
LEASED WIRE TO TRIBUNE

PETROGRAD, Dec. 26.—Germany has asked postponement of peace negotiations until January 24, according to semi-official announcement here.

Finland has asked Germany to recognize her independence, according to reports reached here today from Brest Litovsk.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Russian-German peace negotiations have been suspended pending consultation by German delegates with their government on Russia's terms, according to a Petrograd despatch printed by the Times today.

The Russian delegates, it was stated, are returning from Brest Litovsk to Petrograd.

Two commissions to negotiate peace will shortly be formed, the one to meet at Petrograd and the other at Odessa. Both will consider purely military aspects of the situation. A third will shortly be appointed to prepare for a prospective European peace conference.

It was asserted the Bolsheviks will convocate the constituent assembly at the end of next week.

#### BULGARIA BALKS AT TERMS OF RUSSIANS

BY INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE  
LEASED WIRE TO TRIBUNE

GENEVA, Dec. 26.—Bulgaria has balked at the peace terms of the Russian Bolsheviks, protesting especially against the clause calling for no annexation of occupied territory, said a telegram from the German frontier today.

A cablegram to the International News Service yesterday reported that the central powers were replying to the Russian peace terms, asking for a "modification of them."

COPIENHAGEN, Dec. 26.—Russia's civil war has extended to the interior of Siberia, and reports of hard fighting in that district were received here today. (The former Czar and his family are at present confined in a monastery at Turov, Siberia, but whether hostilities are in progress in that vicinity was not stated.)

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 26.—Frank belief that the Bolshevik regime will not be able to retain its grip on Russia after forging a separate peace with Germany was expressed by Bolshevik Minister Vorovsky today.

"The Bolsheviks will never conclude an undemocratic peace," he told a correspondent. "The war will be continued if Germany insists on a policy of annexation. We still hope that general peace negotiations will be possible. We will fight defensively until a general democratic peace is achieved. I admit we do not intend and will be unable to remain in power after peace," he added.

Vorovsky flatly denied reports that German agents were in Petrograd financing the Bolsheviks.

"The Bolsheviks do not need German money," he declared. "We are printing all that is necessary."

Arrivals from Petrograd today reported a strong monarchist movement developing in the Russian capital supported by some cadets and German agents.

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# Thousands Walk Out of Plants

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was the desire of the Metal Trades Association to clarify in the public mind the reason for the ten per cent bonus over the recent awards made by the United States Shipbuilding Wage Adjustment Board, and which was more demanded by iron workers in private plants outside the shipbuilding industry.

"The iron shops have agreed to pay the new scale including the bonus," Burton said shortly after noon today. "Of this number thirty are members of the employers' association," he said.

"This 10 per cent is a bonus," said Metcalf, "and was not given because of an increase in the cost of living. It was just a stimulus to encourage the output of ships and to tempt men who lived at great distances to leave their homes and enter service in the shipyards, while it effects between 15,000 and 18,000 men in the bay district, the only shipbuilding plants or shops effected were Mare Island, the Ingalls Works, Hiram Shipyards and the Bentts Shipbuilding Corporation, and when this was given by the Emergency Fleet Corporation through its Wage Adjustment Board the employers agreed to pay this bonus, were told that the government would reimburse them, as it had previously agreed to assume the average increase of 81 per cent recently granted at the completion of the hearings in San Francisco.

"It applies wholly and solely to men working on ships that were being built for or commanded by the shipping board. As this total increase, averaging 41 per cent, is being paid by the Emergency Fleet Corporation, how can the Iron Trades Council expect employers in plants without the government contracts to assume such burden without similar reimbursement? If the government indicates that it will take care of the shipyards and plants affected by the latest order of the Iron Trades Council, employers will certainly be only too glad to act for the Emergency Fleet Corporation or other branches of the government which may order it."

President R. E. Burton of the Iron Trades Council said this morning that fifteen of the shops had agreed to pay the 10 per cent increase and that others had indicated they would follow suit, that the only reason some of the men were at work was due to the failure of the Iron Trades Council to reach them with a formal strike order.

"There is no change in the situation that the employers would stand firm against giving the men the 10 per cent increase asked and that a report had been had from every member of the California temporary Metal Trades Association this morning and all reports but two that their plants were in full operation and the men had returned to work."

Another member of the California Metal Trades Association and one of the largest employing concerns in the east bay district, declared this morning that the situation is up to the Federal Government and that the manufacturing concerns would not make a move without a Federal order.

"We were parties to an agreement under which a certain wage schedule was adopted by and with the Federal Mediation Board," he said. "The metal workers were also parties to that agreement. Now the Government has offered a bonus to induce men to leave our plants and work at shipbuilding enterprises. The metal workers by this strike are attempting to force us to pay an equal bonus for private work. This we will not do. We cannot afford to do it. We are not the Government. We will not resume operations until we receive Federal orders to do so, or the men return to work. We intend to keep our agreement with the Government and expect the Government to see that the other parties to the same agreement keep their portion of it."

Further complications are introduced into the situation by reason of the fact that many of the casings and parts used in the shipbuilding operations are made in outside shops under private capital. Just how far this strike in these shops will effect the Federal Shipping Board's work is a matter of conjecture.

## HUNT FOR ALIENS

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 26.—The dragon's egg, or, "the" but throughout the West, for the apprehension of Ferdinand Kline and Kurt G. Wilkins, interned alien enemies who escaped from Fort Douglas early Monday, has resulted in the arrest of one suspect at Lehi, Utah, by Marshal Edwin Street today. The tightening of the police cordon throughout the state. The prisoner at Lehi will be taken before the authorities at Fort Douglas for identification. Following the escape of the prisoners the penalty for harboring fugitive enemies was emphasized at Fort Douglas.

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## America Faces Big Coal Shortage Dr. Garfield Is Heard by Probers

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other shortages of clothing exist in any of our camps, and if so, that he direct that such shortage be supplied immediately.

"It is the sense of this committee, that with the cold season now on, the usual routine shall be suspended as to this matter, and the commanding officers of the several camps shall be directed, if this is the quickest way, to buy these articles at the nearest points to their camps at which they can be obtained, so that our soldiers may be supplied as soon as possible."

America faces a coal shortage of 500,000 tons because of war. This was the answer of Dr. Harry A. Garfield, fuel administrator, today to the inquiry of the Senate sub-committee investigating the coal shortage.

Coal operators have made high prices, Dr. Garfield admitted, but he said it is impossible to check high prices without at the same time checking production.

"Production rather than prices," Dr. Garfield declared, is his policy. He testified that he had granted increases to operators on the theory that higher prices are necessary to maintain production. There are "people who can't see the reasonableness of such a process," the fuel administrator admitted.

Dr. Garfield testified that production is 10 per cent greater this year than last.

"This is not a sufficient increase to meet the war demands, though," he added.

### GREAT SHORTAGE IN BITUMINOUS COAL

The great shortage is in bituminous coal, the witness said, but added that anthracite coal has been subject to bituminous, and thus there has been created an anthracite shortage.

"In this severe weather I have considered the domestic consumer even before the government," Dr. Garfield said. "With a discontented people we would be greatly hampered, and have attempted to keep American homes warm, can't guarantee that they will not be further suffering, however, I believe the production situation is well in hand and labor is patriotic, but transportation difficulties are great."

In great detail the fuel administrator told of the organization which he has built up to cope with the coal shortage. Dr. Garfield gave his own business as that of an "educator." He declared that he has 200 employees at work in the fuel administration.

"Expert advisers" of the fuel administration were named by Dr. Garfield as follows: John P. White, labor expert; Rembrandt Peale, who was recommended to Dr. Garfield by the president of the Welsh University; Dr. S. T. Turner, dean of the University of Pittsburgh; James Neal, a Pennsylvania coal operator. None of these men are salaried, not even their expenses being paid, Dr. Garfield said.

### DOMESTIC DEMAND FIRST CONSIDERED

The policy of the fuel administration to date is to allow coal to pass through "normal channels," Dr. Garfield said, although he has power to direct "completely the distribution."

"It is the policy of the fuel administration to distribute coal to the consumer as far as possible."

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The same correspondence telegraphs the British ambassador, Sir George Buchanan, published Sunday, a statement refuting the charge of interference in the internal affairs of Russia, and adding that as there are now three independent republics in Russia it is difficult to avoid the appearance of having relations with more than one.

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"An appeal to prejudice has been made against the Food Administration because the Cuban price is 8 cents about that which prevailed in 1917 prior to September 1.

"It has been said in effect that the Cubans are at our mercy; that we can get sugar 1 cent lower.

"We made an exclusive study of the cost of producing sugar in Cuba last year through our own agents in Cuba.

"We found that an average profit of at least 1 cent per pound was necessary in order to maintain and stimulate production, or that a minimum price of \$4.37 was necessary, and even this would suffice some producers.

"The price ultimately agreed upon was 23 cents above these figures, or about one-fifth of a cent per pound to the American consumer, and more than this amount has been saved by our reduction in refiners' profits, and in the result sugar would be 1 cent cheaper to the Atlantic consumer next year than now.

### A QUESTION OF JUSTICE.

"If we wish to stifle production in Cuba, we could take that course just at the time of all times in our history when we want production for ourselves and the allies.

"Further than that, such a course would produce disturbances in Cuba and destroy even our present supplies—but beyond all these material reasons is one of human justice. This great country has no right, by the might of its position, to strangle Cuba.

"The Food Administration has conducted a systematic campaign for the reduction of individual sugar consumption.

"This reduction has shown in the decrease in candy sales, etc., but, on the other hand, a similar campaign for the preservation of fruit has increased consumption in that direction, but will reduce consumption still more.

"Taking into consideration all factors, it is not certain that there has been any increase in actual consumption, and, considering the increased canning use, there may have been a decrease."

Hoover emphatically denies charges that George M. Ross, head of the Food Administration's sugar division, endeavored to benefit the California refinery, of which he is head, through the arrangement of the Cuban price.

## OAKLAND BOMBERS AFTER GOVERNOR

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written by the same person or persons.

### DEMANDED \$15,000 OF GOVERNOR JOHNSON

The communication was promptly turned over by Governor Stephens to Chief of Police Conran, who at once consulted with the Federal authorities and the postoffice in an endeavor to trace the letter to its source. He is not prepared to say that the misive has any connection with the recent explosion at the governor's mansion or the alleged dynamiting conspiracy for which William Bond and G. F. Voertel, members of the I. W. W., are being held.

He said he regarded the letter a "blackmail scheme" and that he did not place any credence in the statement that bombs had been planted at various buildings in the city.

The letter received by Senator Johnson when he was governor demanded that \$15,000 be put at a point to be indicated by a drawing, and named September 7, 1916, as the day it was to be delivered. It also contained threats to set off bombs. It was signed "Captain Club of California." The police failed to find the sender of the letter.

It was telephoned to J. P. Scott, 88 Third street, San Francisco, to obtain for him the legal services of Nathan Coglian, the San Francisco attorney, to defend him whom

## GERMANY DELAYS RUSS PEACE TALK

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of Bolshevik troops refusing to march. Pilsudski, it is said, is the last thing a war-winner would want to do.

"Charges that the Food Administration had permitted sugar stocks to remain in parts of the country unmoved are denied, as statement that sugar was left in Cuba while an effort was made to keep down Cuban prices."

The statement continues:

"There are no sugar stocks in this country which are not in course of distribution. Some 30,000 tons, held up by American consumption. All but a trifling amount of Cuban sugar has been exported either to the allies or to the United States. This is shown in a report from the American Consul General in Cuba.

"In order to prevent profiteering out of the situation, the Food Administration considered strong action was necessary and imposed a maximum profit on refiners and wholesalers.

"The refiners' margin was \$1.50 per hundred, and nine months before the Food Administration came into existence it was reduced to \$1.30, and a saving of more than \$25,000,000 per annum was effected.

"As a further precaution against profiteering, the Administration obtained a voluntary agreement with the beet sugar factories that they would not sell sugar at more than \$1.25 a hundred pounds, seaboard. Some who already had contracted at \$9 rescinded their contracts. This was followed by similar agreements as to Louisiana, Cuban and Hawaiian arrivals.

"The net result of these voluntary agreements was to reduce the selling price of sugar 1 1/4 cents west of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio, and 1 cent on the Atlantic.

"If all these arrangements had not been made sugar would have risen to 25 or 30 cents a pound."

"Numerous prosecutions have been started against firms which have sold sugar at 15 and 20 cents."

### NO OTHER WAY.

"The consumers' sugar bill, from the time restraints were imposed until January 1, will be about \$180,000,000. Every cent pound rise means about \$18,000,000."

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# MURDER OF SENTRY STIRS AMERICANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—General Pershing's publication in official orders of the fact that Germans murdered, after capturing a lone American sentry by cutting his throat, was capable of only one interpretation to American officials here today.

That was that the American commandant of the 1st Cavalry, Lt. Col. N. M. Stilwell, said, "It is now clear that right from the start of their enemies. It will not be followed by any open reprisal. Americans will not fight that war. But if the number of Germans taken prisoner shall be small hereafter, the fault will not be that of the American troops."

The significance of the German murder, officials said today, is that Americans can be expected to be treated as Canadians. The Germans have murdered Canadian prisoners, subjected them to unspeakable torture and in every way tried to crush the morale of the Dominion forces from the first moment they entered the war.

The Germans never take a Canadian prisoner if they can help it, and it is believed here this will be their attitude in the case of Americans. Publication in general orders of the killing of a prisoner of war by General Pershing will have the effect naturally of hardening the American soldiers, who have been prone to assume a tolerant attitude toward their enemies.

It is essential the slaying of the American sentry would have a good effect. It also emphasizes again the fact that the Germans, French and British are fighting with trench knives while so far these are not a part of the American soldier's

## Water Carriers Brave Shells Heroic Work Done at Front

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Carrying water to the thirsty fighting men in the front line trenches through a double barrage or bursting shells from both British and German guns, while the multi-colored flares from the German trenches cast a weird light over a shell-riven battlefield, puts to test the nerve and courage of the bravest. Yet the work must be done while the battle is in progress.

Stumbling over the bodies of dead or wounded comrades or falling exhausted among them, floundering through the mud or into shell craters, the water-carrier yet must struggle on till he reaches the first line, unless death relieves him of the task. A vivid story of one such journey is told by Victor Gravson, formerly a member of the British parliament, now serving as private in the British army.

"I found myself one of a party detailed to carry up rations to the front line trenches through a dual barrage," he writes. "We all knew that the boys up the line were to hop over at daybreak the following morning, but we were not aware until our sergeant-major told us, that they had been without rations for two hours."

"As much as the mud would permit our pace was speeded up, and we were soon in line upon the duck-boards (board-walks laid in mud) myself and my immediate companions each laden with two peat tins of water.

"The front line was about two miles away. For the first part of the journey a bright moon made the traveling comparatively easy. But suddenly the duck-boards ended, the moon completely disappeared and the resulting darkness acted like a signal to the opposing batteries. The air

equipment. His offensive weapon is the sharpened bayonet, the use of which is all being versed.

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## MANNHEIM BATTERED BY AIR RAIDERS

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 26.—Heavy damage was done to factories manufacturing munitions when British airmen bombed Mannheim, Germany, on Monday, it was learned today from a German source.

One bomb narrowly missed the statue of Bismarck, the "iron chancellor," in the public square. Mannheim lies in the grand duchy of Baden and contains many manufactures of chemicals and iron and steel plants. It is 325 miles from the British aerial base at Dunkirk, though the flight may have been made from some other starting point.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Monday's British air raid on the German city of Mannheim was the first instance of an exact reprisal policy for Hun air murders in England, according to announcement today.

It was the first air raid carried out by British flyers which did not aim at purely military objectives. All London newspapers expressed satisfaction at the actual carrying out of the policy of "eye for eye" and "tooth for tooth" reprisal announced by Premier Lloyd George in October, 1914 reiterating by Lord Rothermere, British air minister, at his Gray's Inn speech.

**LEFT BEHIND WITH DEAD.**  
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## TO CENTRALIZE WAR CONTROL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Wilson is moving further to coordinate the war government. Steps already have been taken to eliminate government red tape. Secretary Baker's creation of "war council" is expected to supplant much work now done by different divisions of the Council of National Defense.

Establishment of a munitions chief to supervise purchase and distribution of guns, munitions, food, and clothing for the army will probably absorb the work now done by the munitions board, placing over it executive authority now lacking, officials say.

Colonel House, chairman of the American commission to the recent inter-allied council in France, is conferring with the President here today. It is understood his conference is connected with government plans to simplify its working organization further after patterns learned from experience by England and France.

Congress will doubtless demand a

### BRITISH LIMIT HEIGHT OF BOOTS FOR FAIR SEX

LONDON, Dec. 26.—A fusillade of questions as to the British government's reported intention to regulate the heights of women's shoes was fired at the cabinet spokesman in the House of Commons.

"Is the government aware of the scarcity of leather and will it take steps to prohibit the manufacture of high boots for women?" asked Lord Claude Hamilton.

"Will the height of heels be limited also?" queried another member.

"Will an order be made for the lengthening of petticoats?" asked Sir D. J. Tels.

The cabinet spokesman answered that "it has been decided to issue an order prohibiting the manufacture of boots for women with uppers of more than a specified height. He ignored the inquiries as to heels and petticoats."

Readjustment in the War Department, but Secretary Baker is expected to accomplish much of this even before the military probe committee reports.

## ARMY PUTS BAN ON "ADOPTIONS"

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Monday, Dec. 26.—The American expeditionary force wishes to discourage the budding practice of American women "in adopting" in individual soldiers in France for the period of the war. The practice already threatens to choke the congested mail service and result in delay in the transmission of important matter. Moreover, the censorship regulations forbid the men to correspond with strangers and as this rule is being enforced rigidly it is desired that the people at home refrain from putting men here in an embarrassing position as they feel under obligation to answer such communications.

An example of the "adoption" custom is an advertisement which reached headquarters showing the picture of a pretty girl and urging soldiers without godmothers to write to a given address.

## MOVING STORY IS TOLD BY TULLY

"The Flame," playing this week at the Macdonough, is a remarkable spectacle, haunting in its weirdness. If Richard Walton Tully had been ready with "The Flame" before the European war relegated Mexican affairs to relative unimportance, it would instantly have been hailed as a greater play than "The Englishman's Home," and with as great a purpose. But in a sense it is belated.

It affords a remarkable analysis of the national characteristics not only of the nation to the south, but of ourselves as well; that is, ourselves diplomatically and as players.

Reviewers of the piece speak of the voodooism, the weird superstitions that characterize the play. But these form only the background, the ill-fated pattern over the main structure. Throughout the action there is the beating of the tom-toms, the drums, in the distance, like in that gripping sketch "The Drums of Oude," the weird, haunting half-song, half-chant of the voodoo worshippers, the twang of guitar strings in rhythm and tempo that is strange even in this day of strange, gyrating tempo. The entr'acte no doubt presents one of the most intense spectacles ever conceived for stage presentation, and the tempo of the dance that proceeds across the edge of the green jungle in the dim half-light is the most remarkable and greatest part of it.

Scenically the play is all that could be said of it. It is staged with the same care, the same magnificence that characterized the previous Tully plays. It is quite natural that a burst of applause should greet the opening scene, for the picture is indeed a canvas worthy to hang in a gallery of art.

### ACTION ALL THE WAY.

The play is a bit of the Mexican situation as it was three years ago transplanted in some Congo land. We think of Indians in Mexico, and not negroes. It is characterized as an American play, but it is only in respect of the American problem it presents. It can only be said to be American in the broad sense that it includes the descendants of the Aztecs and Incas as Americans. It is called a melodrama, and it is, just in the degree that the sacrifice of American life and effort to the futile policy of peace at any price was melodramatic. It is said not to be an acting play, and it is not, but there is action all the way, even in the opening.

We get the story immediately the returned American-educated Indian whose passion runs to revolution, meets the governor of the province. Their mutual hatred and mistrust, the willingness to sell out for American gold, the treachery of their supposed friends, and subordinates all mix as ingredients in the pot wherein brews the revolution that brings the climax of the play. We see Americans there and hear of their fortune being staked on agriculture and mines, and we sense the loss and sacrifice that are real.

We have difficulty in finding the appropriateness of the name of the piece. "The Torch" would serve as well. Because the situation, which is Mexican, is woven into an atmosphere that is African, we have difficulty in keeping the geography in mind. The scene is given in some mythical land on the Caribbean Sea.

### CAPABLE COMPANY.

Though "The Flame" is no stellar vehicle and no players of note are in the cast, the company is very capable and the characters are well sustained. This is especially true of the revolutionary leader and the governor of the province, who seem almost of the blood. The American consul boasts that he was a neighbor in Nebraska of the Secretary of State, and does little else. The tall man from Texas provides, in his droll way, about the only comedy, and it is a sad sort of comedy, for he feels that he is following a fleeting rainbow. The flame, however, is kept burning, watched by the mythical brown girl who lives at the bottom of the well, and guides those whom it does not burn.

### ELKS ENTERTAIN

Youngsters from all parts of the city trooped to the Municipal Auditorium this afternoon as guests of the Oakland lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The occasion was the annual Christmas celebration of the Oakland lodge. More than 1400 invitations to boys and girls in orphan and relief homes, children under the care of the Associated Charities, youngsters from the streets of West Oakland and East Oakland and South Oakland, had been issued.

The show this year, instead of being held at the lodge, was transferred to the auditorium theater to make room for the many child guests. Members of the lodge and their wives, sisters and mothers occupied the gallery and watched the fun.

Mary Pickford in "Cinderella" was the "movie" part of the program and there were acts from the Oakland Orpheum and the annual exhibition by a team from the San Buenaventura Naval Training Station.

Small gifts, with candy, fruits and nuts were distributed to the youngsters during the performance.

### GARRISON SPEAKS

County Auditor Frank Garrison, representing the Alameda County Infirmary Christmas committee, and the Loyal Order of Moose, which has held a Christmas celebration every year at the infirmary, acted as master of ceremonies at the Christmas tree at which the inmates of the institution were entertained and given presents.

It was erroneously stated that State Senator Arthur H. Breed, who had headed the committee, had officiated. Breed was unable to be present, and Garrison, who has on many similar occasions visited the infirmary and addressed the old people, and who is well known among them, presided, and made a short address telling of the good will of the county toward the old men and women in the institution.

### TREAT TO TURKEY

While the "ordinary" prisoners in the city jail were feasting on prime roast beef, brown gravy and "the trimmings" that go with it, the "overseers" of the chain gang sat down to a turkey repast at the corporation yards yesterday afternoon when Commissioner Jackson favored them with his presence and a short talk. The dinner was cooked by Mrs. William Blair, wife of the foreman of the gang. After their return to the jail the members of the chain gang and other prisoners indulged in an hour of music. A number of musical instruments were loaned by secondhand dealers.

### CHRISTMAS TREAT

As the guests of the firm of Hose Company, No. 4, at Montgomery and John street, twenty-five boys and girls of the neighborhood were treated to a Christmas tree at the firehouse last night. Presents were distributed to all of them and following refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed for the remainder of the evening.

"On every table" — "MOTHER'S BREAD" — your grocer recommends it — Advertisement.

### GROW TOMATOES

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 26.—A year ago the city of Liverpool decided to suspend the cultivation of chrysanthemums in the greenhouses attached to the public parks and grow something useful instead. Several acres of glass

were accordingly assigned to be used for tomatoes. The result of the year's work is announced in a report published, which states that the 10,000 pounds of tomatoes were thus grown, all of which were sent in weekly shipments to about thirty military hospitals in the Liverpool district.

**RAIN AIDS FARMS**  
FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 26.—Rain is sufficient quantities to start pasture for cattle and to aid grain growers besides preparing the land for plowing, has fallen.

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These include Infants' and Children's Dresses, Lingerie, Waistbands and novelty Centerpieces and Scarfs. Second Floor.

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Various lengths, colors and widths in short lengths and mill ends on sale at—10c, 18c, 21c and 33c yard.

### All Ribbon Nov- elties—Half Price

Bungalow Sets

Of chintz and percale in plain colors, stripes and checks. A clearance of odds and ends. Values to \$2.50 for . . . \$1.69 Values to \$1.50 for . . . \$1.19

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\$2.00 Black Satin Duchess, 36 inches wide, yard . . . . . \$1.69  
\$3.00 Black Peau de Soie, 36 inches wide, yard . . . . . \$2.59

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Block Plaid Cheviots, \$2.79 yard

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Wool Plush Coatings, \$2.79 yard

Stylish, warm and comfortable for midwinter and early spring wear. All wool, durable fabrics. 54 inches wide.

Fancy Tweed Mixtures, \$2.79 yard

Fine quality coatings in rich dark colorings. These fancy tweed mixtures are all wool and very attractive. Splendid value.

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### Special—Year-End Sale

\$3.50 Lounging Robes \$2.95

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## PRECEDENT AND OMEN.

The statement from Berlin that if nothing untoward happens to the Brest-Litovsk "peace" conference Kaiser Wilhelm will proceed to the seat of negotiations and, after the manner of Napoleon, offer his terms of peace to the allied nations, was not idly worded. German military leaders have been faithful students of Napoleon, and the tactics and strategy of the Corsican has marked the operations of the Central Powers throughout the war. It is therefore quite natural that the Kaiser should wish to imitate the most striking acts of Napoleonic policies.

There would, indeed, be a sort of similarity between such a situation and the year of Napoleon's greatest confidence, with this exception—that the situation of the Allies today is not nearly so black as that which faced England in 1810.

Napoleon was then at the height of his power. He had just defeated Austria. Germany crouched at his feet. France, Italy and the Confederation of the Rhine acknowledged his sway. The czar was still following the lead given at Erfurt. Sweden had succumbed.

England, indeed, was practically left to fight the battle out alone. There was internal dissension. The failure of the Walcheren expedition had led to terrible loss of men and treasure, and had clouded over the reputation of her leaders. The premier fell ill and resigned. His place was taken by a man whose sole recommendation for the post was his conscientious Toryism and powers of dull plodding. Ruled by an ill-assorted ministry and a king whose reason was now hopelessly overclouded, weakened by the strangling grip of the continental system, England seemed on the verge of collapse. Napoleon bent himself to the final grapple. He sent Massena and his choicest troops into Spain to drive Wellington and his forces into the sea.

England's harvests of 1804, 1807 and 1808 had proved deficient. The harvests of 1809 and 1810 were failures. From \$2.75 a bushel in July, 1809, wheat rose to \$3.50 in June, 1810, and to \$3.62 in August. Meanwhile, commodity prices, which had risen on a wild wave of speculation during the past few years, suddenly collapsed. Virginia tobacco dropped from a high price of 50 cents a pound in 1808-09 to as low as 6 cents in 1810-11. Piedmont silk fell to half its price; hemp dropped from \$5.90 a ton to \$2.85; Seville wool from \$4.50 a pound to 72 cents.

Failures were unprecedented in number. From 65 in August, 1806, they had gradually risen every year, reached 120 in August, 1809, and 273 in August, 1810. When the crash came there was said to be scarcely a cotton manufacturer in the kingdom who had not diminished by one-half the employees in his mills. Many discharged them altogether. Those retained worked at reduced wages.

Yet England was saved; for Napoleon, laboring under the old mercantilist theory, that exports should be stimulated in order that they might greatly exceed imports, sent corn and other food-stuffs to England in the moment of her utmost need. His notion was that England was enabled finally to defeat Bonaparte, after twenty years of war, because she was rejoined in 1812 by Russia, Germany, Sweden and Austria.

Napoleon succumbed in 1815.

## CHARITY FAKERS.

New York, like every other large community, has been sorely afflicted in recent years with fake charities and professional charity promoters and solicitors. Its latest scandal was a bazaar for the "benefit" of the Navy League, which resulted in \$74,000 of the \$75,000 of receipts going to the expenses and commissions of the promoters.

The district attorney of New York City has discovered that the law may be applied to impostors who mislead the public by false appears in the name of charity. He finds that in case it can be proved that officials of charity organizations conspired with the collectors to obtain money for benefit purposes without stipulating about the commissions which were to be deducted can be prosecuted under the law against conspiracy to defraud.

It is possible that the laws against fraud and conspiracy of Oakland and other communities might be applied toward the same salutary purpose as is contemplated in New York. Any step which will lead to a correct public statement as to that portion of the funds for which public appeal is made which is to be paid to professional promoters and solicitors will mean substantial protection for

the public. Directors of charity can bring this reform about without waiting until it becomes necessary to apply old laws or enact new laws for the control of those who promote charities and "public benefits" for private profit.

Fortunately, through the activities of the chambers of commerce of Oakland and San Francisco, this field has, within the last few months, become less fruitful for the professional charity promoter than it formerly was. But there is still room for safeguards against future misuse of the public spirit of philanthropy.

## RELIEVING THE RAILROADS.

The United States government is having built at Detroit 30,000 motor trucks for use in the army. To ship these by rail would require the employment of 15,000 railway cars. In order to avoid the withdrawal of this rolling stock from other service

the War Department has hit upon the happy plan of sending all of the motor trucks to Atlantic ports under their own power and at the same time laden with supplies manufactured in the Central States for the exclusive use of the army. It is estimated that this fleet of motor trucks will haul nearly a hundred thousand tons of freight, thus relieving the normal rail freight facilities of a very substantial part of their daily burden.

This incident brings sharply to the public mind the importance of good highways and the use that can be made of them in relieving traffic congestion. A great deal of exchange of products between cities not separated by too great a distance is being effected by the motor vehicle. A much further use could be made of the motor trucks if the mileage of motor roads was extended.

Chambers of commerce, boards of trade and local associations of manufacturers throughout the country can be of material help in relieving transportation congestion by furnishing to the highway departments of their respective States data as to the highways which can be most useful as substitutes for congested railway routes. This can be done by calling meetings of the traffic managers of the industries, and having them, through a committee, determine the public roads whose maintenance and improvement is most important.

Such a procedure would be in conformity with plans formulated by the American Association of State Highway Officials at a meeting in Richmond, Va., December 4, and now endorsed in effect by the Office of Public Roads. The plan provides for the

preparation of a program for the improvement and maintenance, in the order of their importance, of the highways which are of greatest economic value in the present crisis. Should shortage of materials and labor require priority ruling on all highway work, the program would then be presented to the authorities at Washington as a basis for national approval and authorization of work on the essential routes. Should no priority ruling interfere the plan would nevertheless insure to the committee the expenditure of funds where it will be of the greatest benefit to the industries and people.

Evidently, if the information is to be secured at maximum speed, it is necessary to call upon those who are constantly dealing with transportation matters and who, therefore, are informed regarding the relative congestion and importance of various routes. Manifestly, these are the traffic managers of the various industries and the railroads themselves. Before the war it would have been futile to ask the railroads to supply such information. Now they eagerly welcome any agency which can help them out of their difficulties.

## A WIN-THE-WAR CREED.

Major General George Bell Jr., commander of the Thirty-third or Prairie Division, has a creed. It is that there shall be no incompetents in his division and that polities shall have no place under his command.

General Bell recently returned to Camp Logan, Texas, after an absence of nearly three months on the battlefields of France. There he observed the requirements imposed on soldiers and got an idea of the kind of men who could and who could not successfully stand the tests of fighting service under modern conditions. His first official act after resuming command of his division was to call a conference of his general, field and staff officers, and to address them as follows:

"I have called you men together not because I think the division is in bad shape, because I don't. But we have got to bend every effort and strain every man to win. An officer's ability to hold his job in this division will depend upon one thing, and one thing only. That is absolute efficiency.

"Politics will have no place in this division. If a man can deliver the goods he will hold his job and be promoted. Otherwise the division will have no place for him. All men are alike to me, to start with. I will judge every officer on his ability to handle men. Each will stand or fall by that. There is no place for dead timber. If we have incompetents we must be rid of them at once. There is no idea of making a place for anybody, nor of putting any certain person in any other person's place. But only those who can make good and can deliver the goods will remain here. There are officers in the division who are lazy and will not work, and there are some who haven't the brain capacity or the executive ability to handle their commands. Both will have to go."

Perhaps General Bell visited General Pershing and knew that the commander of the expeditionary forces was going to recommend that only officers best fitted for foreign service be sent to France. In any event, his creed is sound and wholesome. It ought not to remain the exclusive property of the commander of the Thirty-third Division. It is good enough for America and it would be good for America if adopted.

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## NOTES &amp; COMMENT

Jokes about women in lines of endeavor hitherto monopolized by men are no longer funny. We now see women take up such work and do it with much success. We may as well get serious about the feminine capacity as to many occupations that hitherto have been man's special prerogative.

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There are notices at intervals of how the government is getting after the food profiteers. The government's efforts must be so large and comprehensive that they overshoot the mark as far as the individual is concerned.

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The difficulty of running down those who dynamited the Governor's residence is enhanced by the impossibility of ascribing a motive. It is difficult to conclude that it was the work of human beings who did it merely through devilish promptings, or for reasons akin to that which is behind the acts that are of the sabotage class.

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When we read that "serious difficulties arise between the Kaiser and the Socialists" we may well inquire what is meant—serious? The way it is now there is no possibility of any difficulty arising between the Kaiser and any subject. Anybody within the Hun jurisdiction who thinks he can seriously discuss it with the Kaiser gets speedily disabused of the idea.

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Senator King says the Kaiser is no Christian. If he cannot make it stronger than that he will not have said anything very striking.

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Although Sunday led out 14,570 souls up the rugged and rocky trail at Atlanta, the people there appreciated it to the extent of making up a purse for him of the size of \$20,160. That was some appreciation and suggests that the Southern city realizes the value of every little that helps.

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A sad aftermath of the De Saules tragedy was the death of the victim's father from a broken heart. His son's death and the world-wide publicity as to family affairs that followed his sensational killing proved too much for a highly sensitive man of advanced years. There is nearly always a secondary tragedy like this to every one that is heralded to the light.

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The Kaiser's threat of what he is going to do to the world for not letting up, now that he wants to quit, sounds like the rant of a culprit who is secured dead to rights and who makes dire threats as to what he will do to society when he gets out.

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The news lid must be closed on the German reader to a tightness that we can hardly appreciate. There is such general ignorance of the real situation that the story that New York has been captured by the Kaiser's forces gets past. It is told by officers to the soldiers, with the additional detail that a Hun army is now marching on Washington, sweeping all before it.

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Fewer vessels are being sunk by U-boats, but the Hun's are right on hand with an explanation. It is that most of the ships have already been sunk, and few remain to sink. It is a dull situation, indeed, that cannot be camouflaged by German representation.

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It might appropriately be displayed on a sort of service flag that Oakland has the lowest death rate of any city in the United States. Such a display would be appropriate in that this city sets an example in its sanitary and other conservations of the public health that might well be studied and emulated.

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Editorial amens in Colorado, according to the Leesville Light: "Our esteemed contemporary says that in reciting 'Sheridan's Ride' at the Methodist church festival last week we looked and acted like a jackass. We could ride in a way that would embitter the man's whole future, but we have learned to pass such things by. Suffice it to say that he is an infernal liar and a crawling scoundrel."

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The Byron Times is notified: "We have received notice from a postmaster in a Central Costa town to discontinue sending the Times to a subscriber who recently died, for the reason that he is now 'diseased.'

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SPIRIT OF THE STATE PRESS

With only two exceptions the dairymen of the Corcoran district have signed up with the San Joaquin Valley Dairymen's Association for cooperative marketing of their products. The association is organized on the lines followed by the California citrus, raisin and peach growers. It proposes to do away with middlemen and bring about fair dealings between producers and consumers.—Corcoran Journal.

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## BANDITS IN BATTLE WITH U.S. TROOPS

MARFA, Texas, Dec. 26.—Fighting was believed to be in progress today between the rim rock and the river, twenty miles south of here between United States troops and the Mexican bandits who looted the L. C. Britz store and ranch at Candelaria yesterday, killing Michael Welsh, the veteran stage driver, two of his passengers and shooting Sam Nell, foreman of the Britz ranch, through the heart that he was not married.

MARFA, Texas, Dec. 26.—American troops early today were guard-  
ing all known outlets to Van Horn Canyon, where 100 Mexican bandits who on Christmas morning crossed the American border, raided the post-  
office and general stores on the Britz ranch 27 miles southeast of here, killed Michael Welch, a veteran stage driver, and his two Mexican passengers, wounded Sam Nell, fore-  
man of the Britz ranch, and carried away loot estimated to be worth \$7000, besides horses stolen from the ranch, are hiding.

After the bandits disappeared over the rim rock, which rises abruptly more than 1000 feet above the Rio Grande, the soldiers who were in chase pursued them many pounds at them and are reported to have killed and wounded many Mexicans. The shooting compelled the bandits to abandon the horses on which they carried away the loot. Colonel George T. Langhorne, in command of the American forces in the Big Bend, ex-  
pected the pursuit to be resumed at daybreak.

### FIGHT OFF BANDITS.

When the bandits, attacked the ranch Nell, with his wife and a number of ranch hands, barricaded themselves in a ranch house a short distance from the Britz postoffice and fought off the bandits until United States soldiers had been sent to their assistance.

Cavalrymen, under command of Captain Leslie A. Sprinkle, were rushed to the Britz ranch in automobiles, the soldiers leaving camp at 11:30 o'clock, just a few minutes before mess call for their annual Christ-

### Music Teacher May Get Share of Big Estate

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Miss Eugenie Farrar, a music teacher, may get a share of the \$500,000 estate left by Theodore A. Lord, an attorney of Yonkers, as the result of a decision handed down here to day. The court ruled that she had proved that she was married to Lord in San Francisco in 1888. Princess Mishkinoff, formerly Aimee Crocker Gouraud of California, had testified that she witnessed the marriage. Lord left his fortune to his stenographer and friends, stating that he was not married.

mar dinner was to have been sounded.

When the raiders sighted the approaching cavalry they abandoned the work of pillage and rode off over the almost impassable rim rock toward the southwest, dropping over it just a few minutes ahead of Captain Sprinkle and his men. A natural barrier is formed by the rim rock between Britz's ranch and the Rio Grande. Impassable, save at certain points where winding trails have been cut in the rocky walls.

At the point where the bandits dropped from sight of the pursuing troops there is an abrupt descent of more than 1000 feet. When the soldiers had gone as far as possible in automobiles they continued the pursuit on foot to the edge of the rim rock where they did some expert shooting at the fleeing bandits. Crowder's announcement indicates that similar trials will be made immediately in other draft lines.

The following questionnaires have been mailed to date from the different draft boards as follows: No. 1, 1 to 1500; No. 2, 1 to 1100; No. 3, 1 to 878; No. 4, 1 to 1873; No. 5, 1 to 1500; No. 6, 1 to 2300. Many of the latter will not be replied to within the time limit of seven days, owing to the fact that numbers of them are in China and Alaska.

### MANY GIRLS LOST

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Chicago, noted for its bank robberies of the past few months, is also becoming known as "the port of missing girls." Police records show twenty-four girls missing between December 4 and 25, most of them between the ages of 15 and 17—more than a girl a day.

### EXECUTOR SUES ON NOTE.

Edward T. Houghton, executor of the will of Alden T. Ames, resident of Hayward, has sued to recover on a demand note given by Edward A. Ellsworth in the amount of \$4206. The note was given, according to the allegation, a week before the death of the paver.

### WITNESS TO TELL STORY OF MURDER

Under the succeeding regime a demand will be made for a stringent rule against price-cutting which may precipitate a new and serious breach.

### FIX SILVER PRICES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Fixing of silver prices under Government agreement with the producers is imminent, Director of the Mint Baker stated today. Announcement is expected within a week. The agreement will be between the Government and the silver producers.

Under the government will be assured of all the silver it needs for war and other purposes at its own price. The arrangements contemplate also purchase of all silver by the government to be resold to private retailers at cost.

### What is doing TO-NIGHT.

Berkeley Rebekahs hold Christmas entertainment. Knights of Pythias hold Christmas celebration, Pythian Castle. Iroquois Council No. 101 meets, Starr King Hall. Illinois Society holds banquet, California Home Guard drills, police gymnasium, City Hall, evening. Macdonough—The Flame. Copernicus—Harriet Kempel and vaudeville.

Fantagors—Winnifred Gilratne and her dancing girls.

Bishop's Scrap of Paper. Columbia—Jim Post in a Trip to Chinatown. Hippodrome—Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm. C. D.—The Judgment House. American—Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp.

Kinema—Ruby de Remer in The Auction Block. Franklin—J. Barney Sherry in Fanatics. Broadway—Ruth Clifford in The Savage. Lake Merritt—Boating.

### What is doing TO-MORROW.

Supervisors meet, morning. Art exhibit, Auditorium. Elks hold Christmas jinks, clubrooms, evening. Alameda County Civic Association, Assembly Hall, Bacon Building, luncheon of Rotary Club, Hotel Oakland. War Service League meets, Hotel Oakland, 8 p. m.

### Brass Bed No. 1—Pictured above, \$22.00

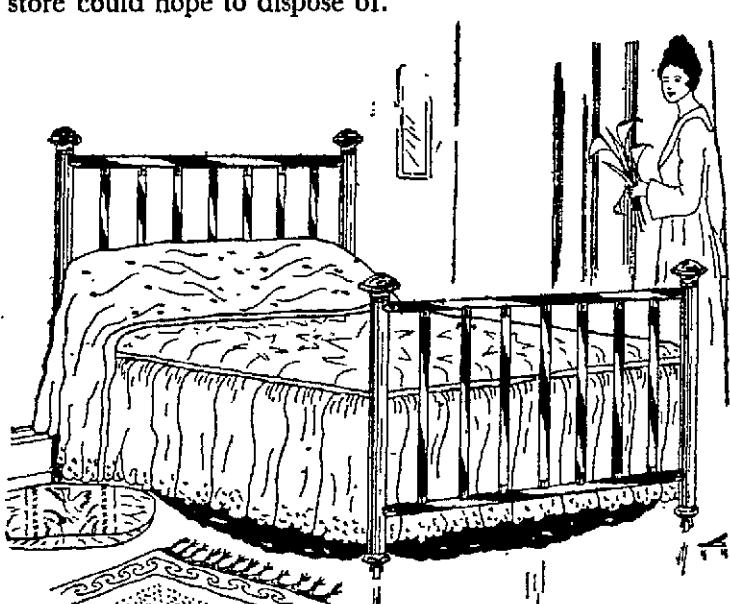
In double and three-quarter sizes

A bed from the Simmons Manufacturing Company, the largest makers of brass beds in the world. Their products are sold on absolute guarantee of satisfaction. This pattern is built with inch-and-a-half posts, one-half inch spindles and crossrods. Satin finish, protected with the finest acid-proof lacquer.

**\$2.50**

secures any one of these three beautiful patterns.

For the balance  
Pay 75c weekly



**Brass Bed No. 1—Pictured above, \$22.00**

In double and three-quarter sizes

This bed is like No. 3, pictured below, but without the heavy ornaments at the turn of the post. The spindles are lighter, being but one-half inch in thickness instead of one inch, as shown in the picture. It is a Simmons bed. You can not expect or get more than that.

**Brass Bed No. 2—(not pictured) \$25.00**

In double and three-quarter sizes

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**Brass Bed No. 3**  
In double and three-quarter sizes  
**\$27**

Made with extra heavy fillers and rods—just an inch in diameter. Posts are one-and-a-half inches thick with ornamented chills and husks exactly as pictured. Satin finish, protected with Simmons acid-proof lacquer.

Pay But \$2.50 Now—75c Weekly

**Breuner's**  
CLAY STREET AT FIFTEENTH

## FIRST CALL UNDER NEW DRAFT MADE

## BRADHOFF TO QUIT; RULES MAY CHANGE



## POSTOFFICE RUSH SETS NEW RECORD

A sturdy, dark-eyed boy of twelve came to the Blue Bird Bureau Christmas eve, asking for some toys for his little brother and sister.

"I tried to make some little furniture for them myself," he announced bravely. "But I couldn't do it good, and they didn't get nothing to play with."

A few toys left from the many Christmas bundles that had been sent out were assembled and given him.

"Somebody brought us some candy and nuts, but nothing to play with," he said as he went away. "Merry Christmas."

A Good Fellow who carried Christmas into three homes arrived at the last with only some candies and a few small toys. Before taking in her bundles, she talked with the small boy at the door.

"Merry Christmas," she said.

"Merry Christmas," he answered soberly.

"Did you have Christmas already in your home?" she asked anxiously, fearing for the boy's wife who was a little small for the group of children she saw clustering about the mother inside.

"Sure," the boy answered without a smile. "My baby sister got a new dress."

Set this was one of the most generous

Christmases that ever came to Oakland. From relief institutions and orphan homes came the report that more toys have been received than in any previous

The heaviest Christmas rush of business in the history of the local office is Postmaster Joseph J. Rosborough's report of the past few days. War conditions, which increased the amount of parcel-post packages by thousands of gifts sent to the soldiers in the cantonments, extended the usual eight to ten-day period of rush to three weeks.

The extra help hired for the holiday season consisted of 50 clerks and 65 carriers, and to the delivery vehicles were added 15 automobiles and 20 wagons. Some of the men slept in the postoffice building during the height of the rush in order that they might lose no time in going to and from work. Meals were hastily snatched and every moment of time was utilized. On Christmas morning the staff was at work at 1 o'clock and from then until dusk the activity was unceasing.

The thanks of the postal employees were extended today to the newspapers and the public for so many gifts. The newspapers were insistent in their "shop early" and "mail early" advice, and the public heeded the words. All the packages were mailed here by the evening of the 24th. Next year an attempt will be made to have every Oakland citizen who is sending a gift away have the package mailed on the 23rd.

### ONLY TWO APPLY

Although the civil service board has authorized the appointment of five substitutes, only two candidates on the eligible list of twenty-two have applied for appointment. Commissioner Jackson announced today. At the same time the Civil Service Board has provided for the filling of fifteen positions in the fire department made vacant by the draft or other causes. Thomas J. Alexander, a hoseman, today tendered his resignation to Fire Chief Elliot Whitehead and it was accepted.

### S. F. MAN WOUNDED

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 26.—Americans mentioned in the latest casualty list include: Wounded—S. Smith, San Francisco.

Ritt in the San Francisco offices, has made possible her acceptance of the leadership of the Oakland defense council.

Immediate steps will be taken to thoroughly organize the women of the city on the army plan, such as has proved its success in other large units in California. Many women in those who are interested in the service, which women may render, have been called by Miss Moore for Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the council chambers in the City Hall. The new, new organization will be explained in detail and preliminary steps taken toward its inauguration.

**TAFT & PENNOYER**  
COMPANY

## Important Sale of Silks and Georgette Crepes

**\$1 85 Values to  
1 yd. \$3.00**

ALL THE NEWEST and latest designs and colorings—stripes in various widths, checks in assorted sizes, plaids in great variety. This sale embraces some sterling values.

**\$1 85**

Yard wide at, yard .....

GEORGETTE CREPES in the season's newest patterns and colorings, such as rings, dots, squares and stripes. Very beautiful, soft color blending and splendid value;

**\$1 85**

40 inches wide, yard .....

### "Caltex" Invisible Bifocals Ground From American Made Glass

The glass used in grinding "Caltex" Invisible Bifocals is made in America; a guarantee of superiority. This quality optical glass is rare indeed, but wearers of "Caltex" Invisible Bifocals take no chances of getting glasses made of inferior ophthalmic glass. Remember the name, "Caltex"—it's an insurance policy for "Quality Glasses."

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Makers of Good Glasses

Oakland ..... 1221 Broadway

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## Thursday Is Dress Day

### In the Ready-to-Wear Clearance

Prices Sharply Reduced For Quick Clear Away

**\$12 75 \$14 50 \$16 50 \$19 75 \$25**

DRESSES of fine quality men's-wear serge; handsome satins, charmeuse and even velvet dresses are included in this collection at these clearance prices. Some are plainly tailored, others are charmingly trimmed. A most complete assortment of colorings are included. Amazingly fine values, every dress in this collection.

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# BILL LEARD IS MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE VERNON MANAGER

PERCY AND FERDIE--It Was a Fine Xmas Tale, With a Sympathetic Finish

By H. A. MacGILL

Creator of the Hall-Room Boys



## Veteran Player May Get on With Darmody; Alameda Fans on Trial Sunday

Class-A Winter Leaguers Meet Tonight at the Maryland Clubrooms

By Carl E. Brazier

Bill Leard, veteran Coast and Northwestern Leaguer, with memories of a trip back to Brooklyn and a lot of other baseball experience during his lifetime, is the latest managerial possibility being mentioned for the Vernon Tigers. A few days ago Tom Darmody, the Tiger boss, announced that Bill Essick, veteran Central League manager, had been signed for the Tigers for next year. But now it seems that there is a hitch somewhere and that Essick will probably not be on hand.

The split-up is satisfactory to Darmody, according to reports from the south. Essick would have been a bench manager and Darmody is said to have been a recent convert to the playing manager idea that seems to be the prevailing style for the Coast League next year. Of course there is still the chance that the Essick deal will not blow up, but if it does, do not be surprised if Bill Leard hooks up with Darmody and is the leader of the Vernon club next year.

Leard would make a good leader for a Coast League club; he is of the aggressive type that always has the fans on edge and the chances are that his players would be of the same kind. The slow-moving, sun-thinking ball-player would have no place on Bill's club, and he looks like the logical man to get in there and put the old "pep" back in the Tigers that has not been there since the days of "Happy" Hogan.

CHANCE WITH SIX TITTLE

There is a decided chance of seeing Leard in action as a Coast League manager next year. Bill, of course, has the inside track to the job of manager of a Seattle club, and he has still a chance of breaking into Coast League company next season. The Northwestern team is still unknown whether or not they are going to operate next year. If the Northwestern operates, Leard is probably the logical man to ask as manager for Burdage's club in Seattle. If the Northwestern does not operate, Seattle has a chance of getting into the Coast League along with Portland, and if Dugdale should happen to be available, the Seattle club has the chances that Leard would be his manager.

So Bill Leard may be out there with that old wicked walk of his, handing a few packages to the fans, and while not getting a rise out of the fans, Bill is beyond the draft age. He is aggressive; he knows baseball, and he is popular with the fans. In other words, he has about all the elements required to be a successful manager in the Coast League during the coming year. Of course, with a bunch of youngsters, Bill would have to change his tactics a bit, for the youngsters cannot be ridden roughshod, but he probably knows that better than Bill, and the chances are that he would get along with the young recruits just as well as with the old-timers.

**RODGERS SETS HIS PRICE.** Bill Rodgers is not likely to be the manager of the Sacramento club after all. Charley Graham and the other boys behind the Sacramento club want him for their manager, but Bill is not kicking in any basis to jump at their proposition. Bill is now in the automobile business in Portland. Yesterday he received a telegram offer of the job from the Sacramento club, but he will not accept that is likely to make the Capital City bunch take a look at their bank roll and do a little figuring.

Rodgers' figure is not only too high for the Sacramento club, but there is still one other club that is likely to be interested in him. Mr. McCrede would turn him over to the Coast League at a figure within reach. If the Northern League operates, Rodgers, of course, has first chance at the job from the Northern club, and Portland should get back in the Coast League along with Seattle. Rodgers would still be wanted to manage the Portland club, so until all hope of baseball in Portland is gone, Rodgers is likely to be valued rather highly by the older men.

**HOW FAST IS FASTER?** Some of the boys spent Christmas day trying to answer the query that was put to them. "How fast is the fastest motor boat when it went faster than all the other fast motorboats?" As a suggestion of methods to find the best answer, why not imagine that the motor boats were running a half-mile circular race. Picture in your mind where the fastest one would be; then figure out how fast it is going; then make another so faster than that and figure out where that would be; then figure out where that would be; then figure out what was wrong with your figure when you figured that the time figures of the fastest boat (figured to be faster than the time you had figured for the other fast boats) that figure in your figuring. Now that's for the morning after Christmas!

**CLASS A MEETING TONIGHT.**

Class A managers in the Winter League will meet tonight at the Maryland Clubrooms, Seventeenth street, San Pablo and Telegraph. The admission of a club to take the place of the Oakland Natives will be the big piece of business before the meeting and Charley Graham is on the program. On hand will be a definite lineup of a club which he wants to enter in the race. Dick Greathouse has about given up his attempts to put in a Richmond club at this time. Paul Oldham has gone to war. Old Erickson goes back to Detroit, and Spud Baum looks due for the job as Sacramento manager if Bill Rodgers does not come to the rescue. John and Indian Smith are in the club, however, and Indian Smithers who will be worth anything, and the local pitching staff does not look any too strong with them as the headliners.

**DAKES ARE WELL FIXED.**

The Dakes team will be admitted to the class A race to take the rating left by the Oakland Natives and next Sunday Thaddeus' old friend, Carl Frazee, will be on hand to pitch for the Dakes.

Greathouse will start with still a good chance that we will see him again and have the good year that he started out to have last season. Of course Martin may go up to the Krause, Frazee and Greathouse, and will still be in the lead of the pitching staffs with which other clubs will start the season.

**BIG GAME AT ALAMEDA.**

Hayward wants games. Alameda fans will get their biggest test Sunday, when the Athletics will play baseball games with Julian, the team in back of them. They will get a chance to see the biggest game that has ever been staged at Lincoln park. Fred Krumb, manager of the Alameda team in the winter league, is confident

## Oldfield Cuts Down Record in Southern Race

Veteran Speed King Takes First Money in the Bakersfield Sweepstakes.

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 26.—Barney Oldfield took first money in Bakersfield sweepstakes held here at the Kern county fair grounds yesterday afternoon, winning the final fifteen-mile heat in 12 minutes and 42 seconds. Oldfield, who has been racing in the 15-mile by clipping the mile in 45.5 seconds, cutting a full second off the track record, which he himself established here in 1914.

Louis Chevrolet won the five-mile heat in three minutes and 48 seconds, and also won the second heat, a 15-mile event, in 11 minutes and 42 seconds. In the final heat on the sixth lap, Chevrolet cast a tire, and Oldfield put out of the race Eddie Hearne, went through the fence after he had completed half a mile in the first lap. No one was injured. Tommy Milton finished second. White third. The other drivers in the race were Mike Moos and Eddie Hearne.

**Few Golfers Brave Rain At Claremont**

C. E. Fleager won the Christmas tournament at Claremont yesterday, taking first prize in the 2000-yard flight from Bruce Heacock. In the other flights the match was played, another will be played on Saturday and the rest were defaulted, but over \$150 was collected for the Red Cross out of the entry fee for the tournament, and the money was turned over to personal credit for contributing to the Red Cross fund, certificates of contribution being the prizes offered to winners.

In the third flight J. H. Deleck and J. W. Preston braved the rain to go over 18 holes in 100 minutes and Deleck won 2 up and 1 to 10. The fourth flight will be settled today in spite of rain, according to W. R. Briggs and A. A. Wilson, who will contest in the final round.

The following are the results of the final round at Claremont.

**FINALS.**

First flight—C. E. Fleager defeated Bruce Heacock, 2 and 1.

Second flight—W. J. Willoughby won from W. P. Goodwin by default.

Third flight—J. H. Deleck defeated J. W. Preston, 2 and 1.

Fourth flight—W. R. Briggs and A. A. Wilson to play today.

Fifth flight—G. Ostrander won from E. A. Heron Jr. by default.

Sixth flight—G. Kline won from E. W. Stebbins by default.

Seventh flight—T. C. Coogan won from H. Anderson by default.

Colored W. S. Davis won the medal competition for the Lervison cup at the Presidents' cup, which was won by a card of 52, which with his handicap brought him net to 68, the low score of the field, in the Presidents' cup preliminaries.

Sixteen players qualified for the play for the Presidents' cup yesterday and were paired as follows for the first round play, which is scheduled for Saturday.

Colonel W. S. Davis vs. H. W. Wood, J. R. Tufts vs. C. A. Stewart, Colonel W. S. Davis vs. S. C. Henderson, R. M. Ayers vs. G. L. Leivison, Smith O'Brien vs. Dr. Hartland Law, W. C. Stephens vs. W. H. Dutton, W. H. Ferguson vs. E. H. Pier, D. R. Murphy vs. T. L. Ford.

New Year's day will see the qualifying round of the Del Monte Club's new tournament. Many club golfers have started their interest in entering the tournament, which is an invitation affair. Douglas Grant, Chandler Eagan, Arthur Vincent and Vincent Whitney are figuring on entering the play, and Jack Neville may get into the running. The tournament will be a Red Cross affair.

**MOHR IS DISQUALIFIED.**

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 26.—After repeated foulings, tactics and cautions from Referee Gardner, Walter Mohr of Brooklyn was disqualified from the round of his 12-round bout with Soldier Field here yesterday afternoon. The fight was fairly even for four rounds, Field's better condition finally asserting itself.

**ASSOCIATION CLUB BOUTS.**

Salinas Jack Robinson meets Soldier Field's McCoy in the main event at the Association club bout tomorrow. This will be the only fight card on either side this week. Other bouts on the card are as follows:

Tom W. Bell vs. "Soldier" Conlins.

Frank Cadden vs. Jimmy Owens.

Harry Pickett vs. Gen Payne.

Paul Castro vs. Johnny Barron.

Tommy McQuade vs. Willie Thomas.

**ALL-ARMY TEAM WINS.**

SAN JOSE, Dec. 26.—The Campbell Athletics, champions of the county, were defeated in the second game of the three-game series with the crack All-Army team from Camp Fremont. Eddie Hall had played a fine game for the visitors at second here, the game being won by the All-Army team.

It is hard for the average fight fan to realize that little more than a year ago Jack Dillon was one of the most prominent figures in the fight game. It was only a short time ago that Dillon was a top draw, everyone that was brought against him and usually someone more or less equal to him.

It will be remembered that some were so enthusiastic in their praise of the little man in the ring who had really shown himself

worthy of a chance to meet Jess Willard.

And this in spite of the fact that Dillon

would be at a greater disadvantage in

the ring and weight against Willard.

It is hard to realize that the average bantam would weigh against a welterweight. Today Dillon is scarcely ever mentioned and he has been whistled many times recently by very ordinary fans.

It is hard to realize that the decision

defeat has brought on Dillon's decline.

The truth seems to be that he has just about burnt out and the stuff he had year ago is with him no more.

While many are regarding the grand

old days at Carlisle when Jim Thorpe

was a Hall of Famer together past season.

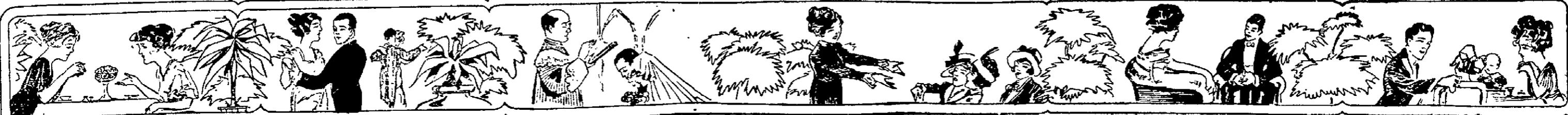
**TOTALS.**

San Jose. Total—6.

Phillips. Total—6.

Willard. Total—6.





## Women's Clubs

By Edna B. Kinard

Perhaps the most dangerous individual in society and to herself is the girl who, mentally incomplete, may be classed indefinitely as feeble-minded. However, the term is an elastic one, with many grades of under-developed brain power. Usually, the girl is physically of great attraction, loving admiration and not unwilling to sacrifice herself to win it. For the girl who has passed her twenty-first year there is no legislation in the state providing care for her. Up to that time, however, some supervision of her life and actions is possible. With abnormal social conditions existing in California by reason of the presence of large bodies of men and the excitement which war preparations bring, there are peculiar temptations offered this type of young womanhood.

Women of the Legislative Council of California and the California Civic League are giving particular attention to this phase of social service and are standing behind a plan which will enlarge the facilities for protection to the offender whose weak will and lack of brain power is her only sin.

At the last session of the legislature there was appropriated a large sum for the building of a home for the feeble-minded girl, with a general plan for her care and education. The bill had the united support of the women of California, who recognized the great necessity for the new institution. It was one of the three bills initiated by the Women's Legislative Council of California. Just now the women are bending all their energies to a plan which, under the proper authorities, will result in a suitable plan for the protection of the facilities which are offered these feeble-minded offenders at Glen Ellyn.

A silver medal has been received by the baby hygiene committee of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, California branch, of which Mrs. E. J. Nott is president. The award comes from the Panama-Pacific Exposition and is in recognition of the work which the baby hygiene committee did in collaboration with the Federal Children's Bureau Exhibit. There are yet scores of little red socks to be turned into the committee from the children on both sides of the bay, although the fund, which is used to supply the wards of the Associated Charities in San Francisco, the Baby Hospital in Oakland and the Charity Association in Berkeley, has been comfortably swelled by the penny offerings which were made this month.

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How uneven would have been the charges made without adjustment is shown by the fact that carrots, with an appraised value of 35 cents, figured at 75 cents, cost 71 cents. The loss was equally distributed throughout the total production.

Another fruit story comes from Uplands. In this state, where with jars, sugar and fuel furnished by the citizens, 35 women in the domestic science rooms of the high school gave two mornings a week to canning 610 pints of fruits to be sent to the army. In a number of units of the Council of Defense next year some manner of co-operative machinery will be invented for handling the work of manufacture and distribution.

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## A RAW, SORE THROAT

Eases Quickly When You Apply a Little Musterole.

And Musterole won't blister like the old-fashioned mustard plaster. Just spread it on with your fingers. It penetrates to the sore spot with a gentle tingle, loosens the congestion and draws out the soreness and pain.

Musterole is a clean, white ointment made with oil of mustard. It is fine for quick relief from sore throat, bronchitis, tonsilitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosty feet, colds on the chest. Nothing like Musterole for croupy children. Keep it handy for instant use. 30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50.



## Society

With Christmas festivities about over, society has diverted its attention to the New Year, the ushering in of which is always a memorable event and one which cannot be overlooked. This year one wonders if the gaieties of old will be renewed, for though sorrow and sadness prevail in one-half of the world, still the old year must wind its way into nothingness and the new year, full of expectancy and hope for universal peace, be welcomed. So again will the crowds assemble at the midnight hour, some for the great musical festivals to be held in the Auditorium or hotel lobbies, others for the merry gatherings where for a time merriment will prevail.

In Coronado the chief event of the winter season is to be the "Ball of All Nations," to take place Saturday, January 12. Present at this social event will be quite a few east bay folk who have gone south for the time, a number of the younger matrons to be near their husbands who are stationed in the southland. Possibilities for costume effects are inexhaustible and quite naturally those depicting the national costume of the central powers will be in the minority and many interesting notes will be made upon such an occasion.

Open house New Year's day is long looked forward to by old acquaintances, for upon that day are renewed many of the friendships which years of change of residence have somewhat widened. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Hanchaw of Vernon Heights will keep the day as usual open to their friends, their reception held always in the forenoon, when the service of the "famous eggnog" is featured. The L. Harrison Clays will also observe the day.

In compliment to their son, Leon Brooks Walker, who arrived Christmas morning from Yale University to spend the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wills Walker are to give an informal dinner party tomorrow evening across the bay. The invitations have been extended to the debonair set and dancing is to be an after diversion.

New Year's eve at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis Hill in Alameda will be a merry event, when a score or more of the married couples who make up an informal dancing party will be guests at their home. The serving of a midnight supper is to be a jolly part of the New Year diversion.

With the holiday came the announcement of the betrothal of Miss Flora Jenness, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jenness of Berkeley, and Malcolm Whirlow Scottchler. Scottchler was with the naval reserve up to a short time ago, when he was transferred to another branch of the department. Miss Jenness is a sister of Mrs. Robert Thompson, wife of Lieutenant Thompson, U. S. N. The bridegroom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lincoln Scottchler. No arrangements have been made for the wedding as yet.

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**AVIATRIX TO FLY**  
Katherine Stinson, the girl flier who broke the American non-stop flight record with her aerial trip from San Diego to San Francisco, will be the principal attraction at the all-star matinee to be given at Tadmon Park next Sunday afternoon. The flier, flying primarily for the Orvis' comfort fund, as the crack California artillery regiment will use its share of the proceeds to purchase necessities not down on the regular army schedule.

Miss Stinson will have opportunity to show she is a great exhibition flier as well as the premier cross-country pilot. She will loop the loop, fly upside down, perform the wing roll and essay some of the hazards facing the war fliers in Europe.

In addition to the girl aviator, the program will be sprinkled with automobile and motorcycle races by some of the best drivers in this part of the country.

## SEARCHING FOR WOMAN KIDNAPED

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26.—An unknown woman was run down and almost instantly killed by an automobile truck loaded with children homeward bound from a Christmas party as she stepped from a street car in the residence section of the city.

The victim was crushed against the front of the truck and died in a hospital a few moments later without regaining consciousness. She was well dressed, wore diamond earrings and a watch bearing the engraved initials "M. H." Up to a late hour she had not been identified.

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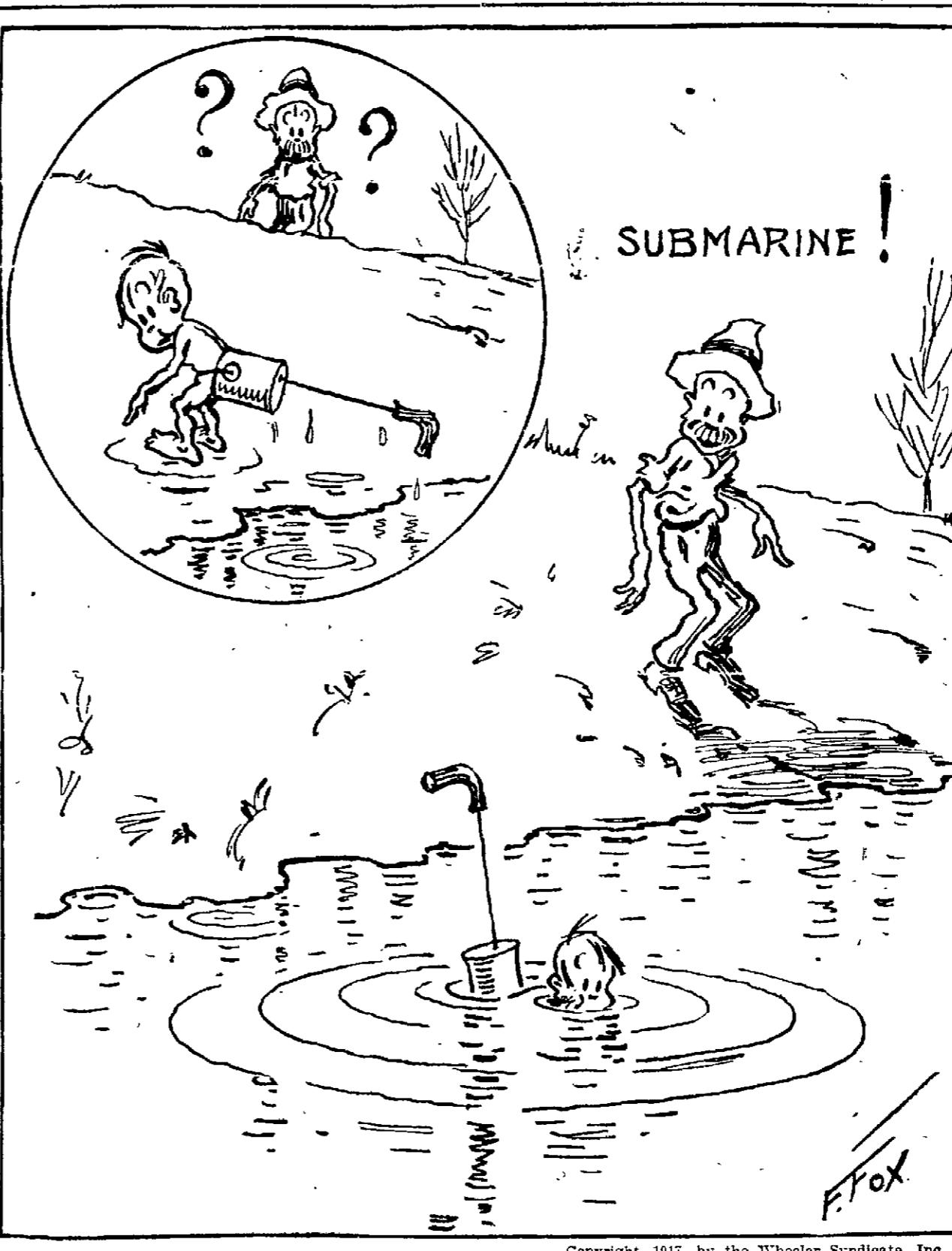
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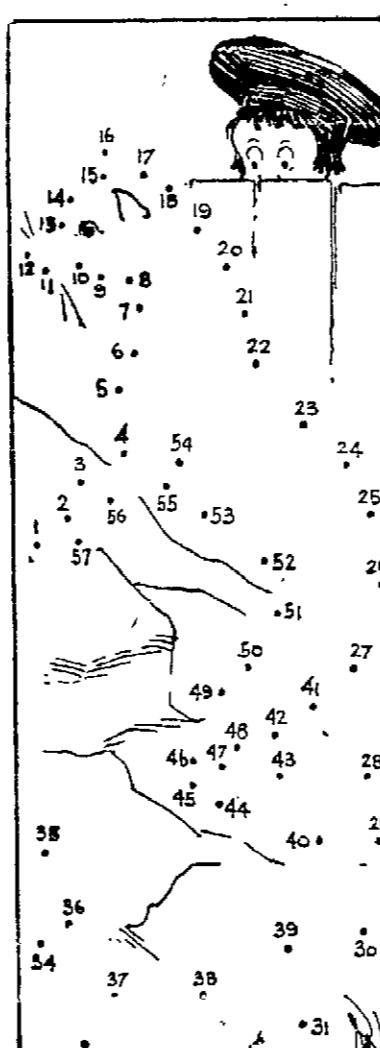
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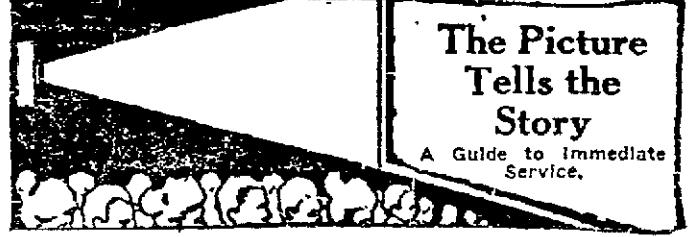
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While Atlantic Gulf rose 2¢ to 78¢, Marine common declined one point to 103¢.

Texas Company advanced 2¢ to 129¢.

While American Tobacco fell 1¢ to 153.

General Electric yielded one point to 133¢ and Mexican Petroleum declined 1¢ to 74¢.

Both gold and silver fell 10¢ to 87 and the 3½¢ were traded in at 88.2¢.

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## EAST BAY SHIPYARDS ASKED TO EXPAND

More Orders to Come  
Soon For Ships to Be  
Built Here, Says Pheian

In Telegram Senator Says Fleet Corporation Will Call on East Bay to Speed Up Construction of Wood and Steel Vessels

## CAPACITY OF PLANTS ENLARGED

Stimulating in its implication that a tremendous influx of new contracts may be expected for the shipyards of Oakland and in its prediction that the Fleet Corporation will shortly place more orders here for steel vessels as well as wooden ships is the telegram received this morning from United States Senator James D. Phelan by Mayor John L. Davie. The message is believed to be the forerunner of official notice to the shipbuilders that all present facilities must be increased to their maximum expansion and that preparations must be made for handling more construction work than has been done in the past.

The telegram from Washington reads:

"Chairman Hurley of the Shipping Board informs me that it is the policy of the fleet corporation to encourage expansion of the existing yards for construction purposes by giving you new contracts for steel ships. Wooden ships will be ordered when existing contracts are completed. I strongly advise immediate expansion of yards to secure new contracts. The board is highly pleased with the progress made on the Pacific coast."

## PLANTS ENLARGED.

At the present time the enlargement of the Hanlon Drydock and Shipbuilding Company's plant in East Oakland is in process and preparations are under way for the installation of increased facilities for production in the Union Iron Works plant across the estuary and in the Moore & Scott plant at the foot of Adeline street. With this authoritative message from Washington these plans will be rushed and still further extended.

Contracts let months ago are rapidly nearing completion, and it is anticipated that before the slips are cleared more contracts will be ready for signature with the result that the shipbuilding industry on this side of the bay will immediately require greater numbers of skilled workmen and laborers. The action of the federal government last week in obtaining maps of the waterfront showing the location of the different yards is

## DIGGS RETURNS

Maury I. Diggs, former state architect and a figure in the Diggs-Camlin case, returned to Oakland yesterday to resume his law practice, having left it when he was taken to serve a term in Federal prison under the Mann white slave act. Diggs was paroled, and is returning to enter the architectural business again. He and his wife, who was Marsha Warrington, are registered at the Hotel Oakland.

## Have You Power to Perform?

Strength of mind and strength of body depend largely upon the health of the blood. If your blood is thin and watery it lacks the strength to carry off the poisons and waste tissues with which your system is constantly clogged.

This condition saps your vitality, decreases the quality and quantity of your day's work, and makes your life weary and anxious. Eventually comes anemia, a very dangerous disease.

## Gude's Pepto-Mangan

"The Red Blood Builder"

A valuable tonic because it fortifies and enriches the blood, charges it with iron and creates thousands of new, strong, red cells. When the blood becomes strong in iron and red cells it is hard to remain sick.

If you are run down from overwork, worry or an attack of sickness—if your appetite is poor and you have recently lost weight—if you are pale and too easily fatigued—take a course of Pepto-Mangan. Pepto-Mangan cannot disturb the digestion or injure teeth.

**Friendly Warning:** Get your own protection. Be careful that you get genuine Pepto-Mangan. Gude's Pepto-Mangan, as pictured here, and never sold in bulk. For sale at all drug stores. Read the circular around the bottle.

Study this picture so you will know how genuine Pepto-Mangan looks.

M. J. BREITENBACH CO., New York  
Manufacturing Chemists



REALTY MEN  
ELATED OVER  
PROSPERITY

BAKER MAY  
BE SENATOR  
FOR NEVADA

Financial conditions for Oakland throughout the greater part of 1917 have far exceeded all expectations, according to a statement issued today by the Oakland Real Estate Board. The statement says that while it was expected that the whole country would enjoy an era of prosperity such as it never had experienced immediately the war closed, there was none who would predict that this condition would assert itself in 1917. The statement of the board follows:

"Unprecedented volume of Christmas shopping as reported by all of the mercantile establishments of Oakland and an unexpected resumption of real estate activities has proven that the timidity which has prevailed since the beginning of the war has given way to a feeling of optimism and confidence."

"We have never had so big a holiday trade before," reports the manager of one of the biggest merchandise establishments in Oakland. "People did not buy frivolous things to the extent they have in former years. They bought useful articles, for the most part, but they spent more money for presents than has been done in the past."

## WAGE EARNERS ACTIVE.

"While there seemed to be no lessening of expenditures on the part of wealthy people, there was a most noticeable increase in the purchases of wage earners and the value of large and continuous payrolls for this city was evidenced this year as never before."

"The spirit of generosity incident to Christmas is not alone responsible for the situation is evidenced by the fact that many of the real estate offices are doing a bigger business than for many years past."

"Contrary to all expectations, the month of December will close more business for my office than it has transacted in any month since the war began," is the report to the Oakland Real Estate Board made by one of the biggest realty operators in Oakland.

MUSICIANS MEET  
HERE SATURDAY

"Wage earners who are steadily employed at better pay than before are investing in homes. People from out of town are buying homes here. Industrial concerns are purchasing sites. Many are purchasing real estate as investment, confident of the fact that they will never again be able to buy at so low a market."

"People are fast coming to realize that real estate is the only investment they can make which is not subject to the influences of war, the bond and bond market and to understand that ready holdings in a community which is progressing as rapidly as this of the east bay cities have an absolutely assured future not applicable to any other form of investment."

"Especially in the purchase of homes of the type that sell at from \$3,000 to \$30,000 is Oakland beginning to experience the activity which had not been expected until peace is declared."

## CONDITIONS LASTING.

"That present conditions of financial prosperity are general throughout the country and that they will continue for many years after the war is at an end and until the war's wreckage of property and business institutions has been repaired, is the opinion of J. F. Carlton, president of the Central National Bank of Oakland, who has just returned from a visit to New York and Washington."

"While it is war activities which have set the wheels of industry in motion from ocean to ocean and given employment at good wages to every worker in the land, one must not infer that peace will bring an end to it," says Carlton. "Rehabilitation of Europe and of the world's normal commercial enterprises will keep business conditions in this country for many years to come far ahead of the normal activities of the past."

## POWER ASSURED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Orders were issued today that no new war contracts shall be placed in Buffalo before the war industries board certifies that there is power sufficient for their manufacture.

Formal assurances have been given Canadian authorities that approximately 100,000 electric horsepower imported from Canada will be used only for manufacture of war products.

## SAVE HUN SHELL

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN THE FIELD. Dec. 26.—The German shell which wounded the first American soldier in the European war is preserved today in the form of thirty-nine fragments, each identified by three file marks and declared authentic by a unique document drawn up and signed as soon as possible after its historic explosion.

## What 1918 Holds For the World

## GABRIEL NEITH

*Astrologer, Editor, Author and Lecturer*

Contributes His Predictions to Next Sunday's Oakland Tribune

[Gabriel Neith is consulted regularly by numbers of prominent people, including bankers, merchants, politicians and society women.]

Here are some of the things Gabriel Neith predicted for 1917 in The OAKLAND TRIBUNE of a year ago:

"A decided change of foreign policy is prognosticated, neighboring nations being most affected."

"For Germany, misfortunes through ministers and counselors." (Zimmermann, Bethmann-Hollweg, Von Stein resign following blunders). July, 1917.

"Many changes for Greece are predicted." (Constantine abdicated, Venizelos authorized by young King Alexander, Greece severs with Germany). June, 1917.

"Japan, friendship with United States strongly presaged." (Refusal of Zimmermann overtures, visit of Ishii). August 17.

"Sweden may lose prestige through an ill-advised act." (German legation in Argentine used Swedish legation for communication with Berlin). September, 1917.

"Russia. Year unfavorable for Czarina. Troubles with Russia or Russian trade or credit may develop" for March, 1917. (Czar abdicated March 15, 1917; Grand Duke Michael out also).

For April, "Serious trouble with foreign affairs" \* \* \* grave political issues first week." (U. S. A. entered great war April 6, following Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine war February 1; first U. S. troops to France sailed June 14; second contingent arrived in France July 27).

FORECAST FOR 1918 WILL APPEAR  
NEXT SUNDAY, EXCLUSIVELY IN

## Oakland Tribune

RAINS WITH  
HIGH WIND  
COVER COAST

California's Christmas storm, the gift of the elements to a land thirsting for rain, is general over Northern California, and has brought a relief to apprehensive farmers innumerable in its results. Coming in straight from the Pacific ocean, the storm has passed the local weather bureau, and the forecasters are still busy compiling the reports from all sections as a basis for prognostications. From the present outlook it would continue.

The wind velocity outside the heads increased to forty-eight miles an hour this morning and shipping of all kinds has been delayed. The motor schooner Nuuana started for Los Angeles, but put back into the bay when it encountered the rough water at the bar. The tug Sea Eagle, with the barge Silma in tow, also made a start for the high seas, but the skipper thought it best to return and wait for calmer waters. The steam Santa Afacita, with the schooner P. L. Price in tow, is also held back by the storm.

The barkentine Kohala from Apia for this port, with a cargo of copra, showed herself at the entrance to the Golden Gate yesterday, but was unable to come in on account of the breakers across the bar. She will probably make port today if the wind and sea moderate sufficiently to allow tugs to venture out.

The wind off Point Reyes reached a maximum velocity of fifty-six miles an hour yesterday afternoon, but is much reduced today. The storm is now central off the Oregon coast, and all conditions are favorable for continued rain in Northern California, Oregon and Western Washington.

While general, the rain has not been heavy in this section. Less than an inch fell yesterday at Mount Tamalpais, which is usually the heaviest precipitation point about the bay.

## STORY OF FRONT

The story of the battles at Ypres and Loos was told before the Manufacturers' Committee of the Chamber of Commerce at their weekly luncheon today, when Captain F. L. Goord, of the British army, here on furlough, was the speaker of the day.

Captain Goord told graphically of life at the front, describing conditions "going over the top," and warned his hearers that America must throw every resource into the war to turn the tide of battle against Germany.

## GIRL DIES AT HOME

Miss Gladys Ward, the 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Edward Ward of 688 Thirty-second street, died this morning at her home after an illness of several weeks. Miss Ward was a native of Larkinsburg, Kansas, and had made her home in Oakland for the past five years. Beside her parents, the deceased is survived by three sisters: Frances, Murie and Thelma Ward, and two brothers Emmet and Russell Ward.

Large Size  
Oil Heater

\$4.75

\$1.00 down

\$2.00 month

## VISIT OAKLANDERS

Mrs. A. D. Sharp and Miss Sharp arrived yesterday from San Francisco to visit Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Doughtery. They are registered at the Oakland, where the Doughterys make their home.

## GUARD AT HOME

The first district conference of the members of the California Music Association comprising the Alameda County, San Francisco, San Jose and Sacramento branches, San Francisco, San Jose and Sacramento, will be held during the afternoon and evening of Saturday, December 29, in the Clarendon Hotel. An afternoon session, open to the public, will be devoted from two to five o'clock to musical programs, discussions and lectures of interest not only to the musical profession but to the public as well.

Among the artists to be heard are Madame Rose Callahan, soprano, with her wife, Mrs. Robert Hughes at the piano; George Kruger in lecture on piano practice; Mabel Vicki, baritone, and Mrs. Veckl, pianist, in a recital; the Pacific Piano Quartet; Mabel Holmes Nash, contralto, accompanied by Mrs. Estelle Marvin Pomeroy; Richard R. Perloff, department secretary of the Y. M. C. A., war work council, will speak on "The Musicians' Part in the World War."

In the evening at 7 o'clock there will be a banquet at which Samuel Savannah of San Francisco will preside as toastmaster. Among the honored guests on this occasion will be several notables who are passing the holiday season in the bay cities. The committee in charge of the program is composed of Roscoe Warren Lucy of Berkeley and Mrs. Alice Keller Fox of San Francisco.

Judge Brown also gave a decree of divorce to Elmira V. Blair against Willis S. Blair, 1546 Thirty-sixth avenue, on her testimony that though he was able to support her he insisted upon her securing employment, and gave her only 50 cents a day for the household.

The divorce complaint of Mrs. Bertha C. Shaw versus Ernest R. Shaw, 1212 Hopkins street, is on the secret file.

Because her husband called her ugly and said he should have married a prettier girl, Leila M. Maede sued Alvin Maede for divorce, and Judge Brown gave her a decree and \$20 a month alimony.

Judge Brown also today divorced Elizabeth M. Pinto and Angelo R. Pinto on the wife's showing that her husband was cruel and that he deserted her. The wife is Irish and the husband Italian.

Frederick J. de France, whose wife, Anna de France, recently received a decree of divorce, has filed notice of appeal to the Supreme Court from Judge Koford's decision refusing to set the decree aside. The decree was given on the wife's cross-complaint in which he set up a famous "Ho, Annie" letter which he alleged Mrs. de France received from an admirer in which the writer declared: "Ho, Annie, I've been over the happy day come soon or I'm goin' crazy for you."

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